

BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

374 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 (213) 974-7691



April 1, 2011

Ping Han Kieta A+ Relaxing Arcadia 4177 Live Oak Avenue Arcadia, CA 91006 MEMBERS
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VICE-PRESIDENT
SARA VASQUEZ
SECRETARY
JAMES BARGER
COMMISSIONER

SIX MONTH REVIEW ON MASSAGE PARLOR-GENERAL BUSINESS LICENSE ID #136801

Dear Applicant

The Business License Commission will hold a hearing on the above matter on **Wednesday**, **April 13, 2011** at **9:00 a.m**. in Room 374-A, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Your presence is requested at this hearing. If you are unable to attend you may authorize a representative to appear on your behalf. The representative must present signed and duly notarized letter giving authorization and the reasons you are unable to appear.

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Sincerely,

STEVEN AFRIAT

President

Twila P. Kerr Commission Staff

c: Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer-Tax Collector Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department



STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION

OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 374-A

OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

Wednesday, October 20, 2010 9:00 AM

Present: President Afriat, Vice President Campbell,

Commissioner Vasquez

Excused: Secretary Wood, Commissioner Barger

Pledge of Allegiance led by President of the Commission

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of October 13, 2010. (10-2375)

On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by President Afriat, the Minutes of October 13, 2010 were approved with the following corrections: Page 2; Review and Discussion of Rules and Procedures for Charitable Solicitations, motion seconded by President Afriat.

Ave: 2 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Vasquez

Attachments: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. Hearing on recommendation to deny Massage Parlor-General Business License ID #136801, for A+ Relaxing Arcadia, Ping Han Kieta, owner located at 4177 Live Oak Avenue, Arcadia, CA 91006 in the Fifth District. (continued from September 22, 2010) (10-2376) Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector reported that the Massage Parlor/General application is being recommended for denial by the Sheriff's Department. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department reported that owner Ping Han Kieta was unable to prove she is the sole owner and is unfamiliar with the Los Angeles County Business License Title 7. Mr. Garcia stated, Ms. Kieta's by her own admission signs document when instructed by her husband. In September 2008, Ms. Kieta was cited by the Sheriff's Department for working without a Massage Technician license.

Ms. Kieta expressed that she has since complied with County departments to obtain all the necessary permits to open her business. Ms. Hernandez informed the applicant that Massage Technician licenses are tied to the location of the business and she would have to reapply if her Massage Parlor license is approved.

President Afriat expressed that the Commission took Sheriff's Departments objections seriously, but no report of criminal activity was reported regarding the business. The applicant presented to the Commission the approved CUP and insurance paperwork.

Ms. Hernandez reiterated that the applicant must be licensed by the County and the technicians working at the business location must be licensed by the County before the business is operable.

On motion of President Afriat and seconded by Commissioner Vasquez the Commission overturned the recommendation to deny Massage Parlor/General Business License ID #136801, with following conditions:

- Six month review of business before the Business License Commission
- All locks on all rooms other then exterior to the public street be removed
- Owner understands that the Sheriff, Public Health and all other public safety departments of the County have the right to inspect the location during business hours
- Owner understands that all technicians are licensed by the County, including the owner in order to work in the facility
- The front door remain unlocked during business hours
- Applicant agree to meet with the Sheriff's Department within the next 60 days to work on demonstrating further understanding of Title 7 and provide a report at the BLC hearing in six months

Aye: 3 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell Commissioner Vasquez

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October 14, 2010

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COMMISSIONER
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Ping Han Kieta A+ Relaxing Arcadia 21215 Fibre CT

Walnut, CA 91789

HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO DENY COMMISSIONER MASSAGE PARLOR-GENERAL BUSINESS LICENSE ID# 136801

Dear Applicant:

The Business License Commission will hold a hearing on the above matter on **Wednesday**, **October 20, 2010** at **9:00 a.m**. in Room 374-A, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Your presence is requested at this hearing. If you are unable to attend you may authorize a representative to appear on your behalf. The representative must present signed and duly notarized letter giving authorization and the reasons you are unable to appear.

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Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department Esther Hinojos, Sheriff's Department Business License Commission Minutes of September 22, 2010 Page 4 of 6

Mr. Garcia spoke to Mr. James Andrade, Interpreter, for Mr. Jorge R. Arvizu and informed him of the information within the background report. The applicant agreed the charges on in the report are accurate. The applicant gave Mr. Garcia permission to inform the Commission of charges in his background report. President Afriat asked the applicant do you agree not to hold the County responsible, the applicant, Mr. Arvizu replied yes.

Mr. Garcia reported from 1999 to 2007 the applicant had four felony convictions and one misdemeanor charge. Mr. Arvizu stated he took a wrong turn in 1998 due to a failed marriage and took refuge in drugs for personal use. Mr. Arvizu has paid dearly for his actions by doing time in jail being on parole and probation. Mr. Arvizu stated that he has been sober since 2005, is in control of his life, has attended, completed and received a certificate for Proposition 36 Diversion Program instead of doing jail time. Mr. Arvizu stated that he attends two to three meetings per month.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission overturned the recommendation to deny Taxicab Driver Business License ID# 137652 with the following conditions:

- Monthly drug and alcohol testing at the employers clinic
- At least once a week, attendance at 12 step meeting for either drug or alcohol addiction
- Copy of drug test results where ever employed and the form for attending the drug and alcohol meetings with time, date and location of the meeting sent to TTC on a monthly basis
- Failure to provide any of the above information will result in the revocation of the Business License
- 90 day review by the Business License Commission following the issuance of license
- One year review by the Business License Commission following the issuance of license

Motion:

Commissioner Vasquez, seconded by Secretary Wood

Vote:

Unanimously carried

Hearing on Recommendation to Deny for Massage Parlor-General/SC Business License ID#136801

Ping Han Kieta A+ Relaxing Arcadia 4177 Live Oak Avenue Arcadia, CA 91006 (Fifth District)

Cristina Hernandez, Treasurer and Tax Collector's office, reported that this application is recommended for denial by the Sheriff's Department. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department reported the application is being based on the following code 7.08.080 (C) LACC and 7.080.80 (D) which states; the applicant is unfit to trusted with privileges

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granted by such license, or has a bad moral character, intemperate habits, or a bad reputation for truth, honesty or integrity; or the applicant, his agent or employee or any person connected or associated with the applicant as partner, director, officer, stockholder, associate or manager, has committed or aided or abetted in the Commission of any act or act of omission which, and committed by a license would be a ground for disciplinary action under this chapter.

Mr. Garcia stated the investigator found that Mr. and Mrs. Kieta were not being truthful regarding the ownership of the business.

Mr. Richard Kieta informed the Commission Mrs. Kieta is sole owner of the business establishment. Mr. Kieta assists his wife with the paperwork. They purchased an existing business not knowing the business was not in compliance with County Code. Mr. Kieta was informed by the Department of Regional Planning (DRP) in order for the business to be in conformity with the County Code they needed to apply for Conditional Use Permit (CUP). Mr. Kieta further stated that he was advised by a representative from the DRP that an individual can only apply for one CUP. The business was then listed in Ms. Kieta's name in the event that in the future they wanted to apply for another CUP. The Kieta's complied with County Code and the CUP for the business was approved.

Mr. Garcia stated notes in his possession do not reflect anything regarding the DRP and the Insurance policy lists the business as Podiatrist.

President Afriat informed Mr. Kieta that is was his understanding that a CUP runs with the land, not the person.

The Commission would like to see the insurance policy, the lease agreement and Mrs. Kieta to represent herself at next the hearing.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued the above-mentioned item to

October 20, 2010.

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by Secretary Wood

Vote: Unanimously carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

The next meeting is scheduled for September 29, 2010.



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September 16, 2010

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ping Han Kieta At Relaxing Arcadia 21215 Fibre CT Walnut, CA 91789 MEMBERS
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Total Postage & Fees \$

Sent To Ping Han Kicta/At Relaxing At Street, Apt. No. 21215 Fibra CF

City, State, 21744



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR



MARK J. SALADINO
TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION Revenue and Enforcement Division 225 N. Hill Street, RM 109 P.O. Box 54970 Los Angeles, CA 90054-0970

Telephone (213) 974-2011 Telecopier (213) 633-5427

July 16, 2010

PING HAN KIETA 21215 FIBRE CT WALNUT, CA 91789

NOTICE OF DENIAL

Your application for a MASSAGE PARLOR-GENERAL Business License, I.D. # 136801 located at; 4177 LIVE OAK AVE, ARCADIA, CA 91006 IS NOT RECOMMENDED for approval by the following agency listed below:

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT ATTN: ESTHER HINOJOS (562) 946-7192

DENIAL PURSUANT TO 7.08.080 (C) LACC, 7.08.080 (D) LACC

You have a right to a hearing and may request a hearing before the <u>BUSINESS</u> <u>LICENSE COMMISSION</u> within (5) business days after the receipt of this letter. Your request for a hearing must be in writing and addressed to:

BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION 500 W. TEMPLE STREET ROOM 374 LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

If you have further questions please contact the agency above.

Very truly yours,

MARK J. SALADINO
Treasurer and Tax Collector

Cristina M. Hernandez

Business License Section

Revenue and Enforcement Division

Business Sicense Commission 500 W. Temple St. Rm # 374 Los Angeles, Ca. 90012

I would like to request a hearing before the commission, so that hearing before the commission, so that I and my husband business at Pelaping arcadia that I and my business at Pelaping arcadia should be granted a business licenst.

Jan Jant